

I am writing submit these comments to the FCC's "Notice of Proposed Rulemaking" 05-311 on "video franchising." As a viewer and supporter of public access television, I am writing to express my support for franchising rules that support public access television. Public access TV is a crucial mode of local, non-corporate media production, an essential component of any democracy. PEG TV channels provide more locally produced programming than all the commercial channels combined. In many communities this is the only way for individuals and non-profit organizations to freely access the tools to produce their own programming, programming that serves the needs and